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Dear Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Office Action dated April 10, 2003, having a six-month deadline for response due by October 10, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Specification:

Please amend paragraphs 14, 28, 34, 37, and 38, by replacement with rewritten paragraphs 14, 28, 34, 37, and 38 as follows. A marked-up version of the amended paragraphs showing the changes made by underlining of the added text and bracketing of the deleted text, is appended hereto.

[0014] Yet another aspect of the invention is the provision of a ball valve for handling very corrosive fluids and abrasive solid particles in a pressure leaching process. The ball valve includes a valve body, a ball centrally positioned in the valve

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